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Editor.

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Our information in regard to the different delegations to the Wytheville convention is had from various sources, and we are not positively certain as to its accuracy. With the exception of Hon. A. L. Pridemore none of the men mentioned seem to be using any effort to secure the nomination.

It is said that Craig county has instructed for Judge Marshall.

Giles county will give Hon. J. D. Johnston a complimentary vote in the Convention.

The Scott Banner makes the impression that the Scott delegates will be for Pridemore.

The Smyth county delegates are divided on their first choice between Trigg and Buchanan.

Of Wythe county's sixteen delegates, eight are for Trigg, though he will get more if Buchanan is not up.

Buchanan and Dickenson counties have each sent solid Trigg delegations to the Wytheville convention.

The Democrats of Lee county have instructed their delegates to vote in the Wytheville convention for Hon. A. L. Pridemore.

The Virginia Herald (Lee Co.) undertakes to show that Pridemore would be as strong as Henry even with Boyen as an opponent.

It is likely that there will be no nomination on the first ballot at Wytheville, as several counties will want to cast complimentary votes.

Russell county's fourteen delegates are divided among Trigg, Henry, and Pridemore, but ready to unite on Henry, so says the Dispatch's correspondent.

Washington county sends twenty-six delegates to Wytheville. It is said to be a solid delegation for Hon. C. F. Trigg, though Buchanan or Henry could have friends among them.

Just as we go to press we see that an Abington correspondent gives Trigg 57 votes on the first ballot and 110 on the second. Necessary to close 80.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

At a mass meeting of the Democrats of Tazewell County at the Court House on the 27th Inst., the following proceedings were had:

Capt. A. T. Ward was elected chairman and J. P. Kelly, Secretary of the meeting.

The county being entitled to eleven delegates and eleven alternates in the Wytheville Convention, the several districts elected their representatives as follows:

CLARK FORD DISTRICT.

DELEGATES.—Geo. M. Hanson, A. G. Cox, H. M. Smythe, Columbus Moore.

ALTERNATES.—C. O. McCall, Dr. J. H. Crockett, Robert Tartar, T. M. Hawkins.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

DELEGATES.—E. S. Howard, S. C. Graham, J. B. Higginbotham, A. H. Gibboney.

ALTERNATES.—J. O. Correll, A. J. Steele, D. G. Sawyers, A. J. Tynes.

MAIDEN SPRING DISTRICT.

DELEGATES.—W. A. Ward, John Hurt, Augustus White.

ALTERNATES.—John Wingo, P. H. Williams, H. A. White.

A. White to cast the vote of the district in the absence of others of the delegation.

On motion it was resolved, that it is the wish and the sense of this convention that Maj. R. R. Henry should be the Democratic nominee of the party to represent this District in the 50th Congress.

J. O. Correll was elected County Chairman of the party, and T. A. Lynch, Secretary.

A resolution was unanimously carried to the effect that the thanks of the party are due to Dr. James Peery for his efficient service as County Chairman for the past three years.

On motion it was resolved, that the minutes of this meeting be published in the CLINCH VALLEY NEWS and the Pocahontas Headlight.

A. T. WARD, Ch'm'n.

J. P. KELLY, Sec'y.

In another column will be found a letter from Southwest Virginia. We publish it for the benefit of our foreign subscribers, but it will be read with interest by home people.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, July 23, 1886.—The Senate discussed the oleomargarine bill until adjournment Wednesday without reaching a vote. The debate terminated with a sensational encounter between Messrs. Ingalls and Miller. Senator Ingalls leveled his keenest satire at the poor but honest dairyman, as described by Senator Miller. The latter had pictured the dairyman as a class of superlatively honest people, suffering from dishonest competition. Mr. Ingalls held up two vials of coloring matter, the labels of which guaranteed would impart a tint of the highest grade Jersey to white butter, and make it worth five cents more per pound. After dwelling with some emphasis upon the uses of these fluids, Mr. Ingalls remarked that the "honest dairyman" was not averse to practicing a little fraud himself. When he again held up the vial and deliberately announced that these preparations were made in Burlington, Vermont (the home of Senator Edmunds), the senator relaxed into roars of laughter, in which Mr. Edmunds joined heartily. But Mr. Miller could not see anything of an amusing character in it. He arose to reply with a very serious countenance and a voice betokening anger. He suggested that there must have been rehearsals for the scene just then enacted, and said Mr. Ingalls' antics reminded him of his boyhood days when he used to see the itinerant peddler on training days auctioning off his bogus wares and elixir of life. He did not know whether the Senator from Kansas had ever had any such experience or not, but suggested that if he failed in another direction he might ply the avocation he had described admirably. Mr. Ingalls appealed to the Senate to bear him out in the assertion that he had not indulged in any personalities. He had been personally assailed and he replied with the sharpest weapons at his command. He said the humor of the Senator from New York reminded him of the attempt of a hippopotamus to dance on the slack rope. He then charged that Mr. Miller had the strongest personal interest in the pending bill, as he was a dairyman and was advocating a measure which would put money in his own pocket. He said the spectacle was presented in both houses of this bill being urged by men directly interested in it, as the chairman of the House committee on agriculture also owned a dairy farm.

Senator Platt's attention was called the other day to the criticisms which have been made upon his assent to the postponement of the open executive session resolution until December and the inference that he had abandoned the matter. "I moved that it be postponed," said he, "because I am more concerned in getting favorable action on it than in merely securing a record of the Senate. I became convinced that it would not pass if pressed to a vote, but on the other hand I learned from Senators here and there on both sides that they were thinking over the subject, and every now and then one would tell me that he had become convinced that it was a step in the right direction. When the movement began there were not a dozen Senators—perhaps not a half so many—pronounced favorable. Now we number surprisingly near a majority. The matter will be taken up and debated in December. In the interval Senators will become more familiar with the proposition, and some will doubtless have an opportunity to learn that it does not depend for support merely upon the clamor of the press, as is claimed, but upon the favorable sentiments of the people of all classes."

Ever since the purchase of Mrs. Fasset's painting of the electoral commission by the government that picture has hung on the east wall of the Senate library committee room. The committee had not determined where to hang it permanently. Monday the painting fell with a crash, and upon striking the floor swayed over, one edge resting upon the committee table. The frame was utterly demolished by the fall, but the painting itself escaped injury. Had the committee been in session at the time of the fall one or two of its members would either have been killed or badly injured. A new frame will be ordered at once.

The House committee on agriculture yesterday reported favorably the resolution introduced in the House last Monday by Mr. Swinburn directing the commissioner of agriculture to submit to Congress within ten days a detailed statement of the names of owners of herds of cattle infected with pleuro pneumonia; what proportion of the 1,700 cattle reported to be infected have died, and what measures have been adopted to prevent the spread of the disease, and as much information on the subject as can be furnished within the time specified.

LETTER FROM W. M. P. IN BALTIMORE MANUFACTURER'S RECORD.

Mr. Palmer has a magnificent estate of some 12,000 acres of rich and fertile land, upon which cereals of all kinds are raised. Outside of the salt works his chief attention is devoted to the breeding and rearing of fine stock, of which there are no equals anywhere. His herd of short horn cattle, known as the "Siltville Herd," is the finest in the world and the largest known herd of thoroughbreds extant. It comprises 500 head, with the famous "Second Duke of Kent" in the lead. Orders are filled for selections from this herd from all parts of this country, and large shipments will be made in the fall to Uruguay and Honduras. A lot of twenty-nine calves, 4 months old and upwards, were sent to California in the early spring of this year, having been sold at prices all the way from \$200 to \$400 a head. To give an idea of the value of this famous cattle, I saw a head which cost in round numbers \$20,000, but they were beauties. No picture could flatter them in the least. There are also on this splendid estate blooded horses of the Clydesdale and Denmark breeds, the former, the heavy weights for draft purposes; the latter for use under the saddle, and having every quality known to horses. They are something for one to gaze at and admire, and never tire in looking.

There is also a very select herd of Jersey cattle, headed by a "Son of Rex," a huge flock of several thousand Southdown sheep, from which 900 lambs have been recently sold and shipped to the New York market at an average price of \$3 per head. I saw 600 of them loaded myself. There are also Berkshire and Poland China hogs in great numbers; in fact, everything that can be raised on a farm, and all of the best possible breeds. In all, there are one hundred and thirty-two horses, not counting the young colts. One might stay for weeks on the place seeing something new every day at the hands of the owners, who take great pleasure in showing them to visitors.

Within "speaking distance" by telephone is the farm of Mr. Wm. A. Stuart, who raises immense herds of cattle for the butchers. He makes very large shipments to Europe every year, many via Baltimore. His cattle are noted. At present he has some 3,000 head quietly grazing and waiting the time when some Britisher will smack his lips over their juiciness and quaff his wine to the "beef of old England." Mr. Stuart is a brother of the gallant and never-to-be-forgotten prince of cavaliers, Genl J. E. B. Stuart, whose humble home is within the precincts of Saltville.

This is my last letter from Southwest Virginia. I must say, take it all in all, it is the finest country I ever set foot in. The crops have been slightly injured by the rains—which are unprecedented in this district—but not enough to impair the prospects for good returns. The resources in mineral wealth are almost too vast to contemplate, and, over all, the whole-souled and open-hearted hospitality is so boundless that one feels inclined to linger to further enjoy it. But to-morrow will find me on my way further southward, where I hope to pick up many things new and strange, which may furnish interesting reading matter.

"GOD CURED HER."

A YOUNG GIRL DIES, ENTERS PARADISE AND COMES BACK TO LIFE.

The little town of Vernon, Lamar county, Ala., twenty-eight miles north-east of Columbus, Miss., has furnished a first-class sensation, which has set the entire country wild. Mollie Pennington, daughter of George Pennington, who resides four miles from Vernon, aged thirteen years, was taken sick on the 15th ultimo. Physicians state that her illness resembled hydrophobia. On the 17th Drs. Reed, Brown, Morton and Burns were called in to see the girl. She presented every sign of hydrophobia, attempting to bite every one around her, even herself. On the 18th she somewhat rallied, gained her consciousness, and told those around her that she would die for an hour exactly and at the expiration of that time to chafe her hands and feet, and that she would come back to life.

At the time predicted she died away, and physicians present state that death was apparent, the pulse failing to beat and her body was cold. Her physicians during the hour applied all available remedies to restore her, and at sixty-two minutes exactly from the time she swooned away she astonished all by opening her eyes and jumping nimbly from her bed.

She told that she had been to heaven, and that God had cured her. She then told that she had returned to preach to the earth, and commenced

thereupon exhortations that amazed them all.

The most curious circumstance is that she remarked immediately that she had seen Mrs. Briermore in heaven, and had talked with her. Mrs. Briermore, who lives four miles away, died during the hour the girl was apparently dead, and no one had had any communication from that family.

At the appointed times of evenings she has continued her exhortations, telling beforehand at what hour God would be with her.

Ministers from all over the country are flocking to see her, and her discourses move her audiences to shouts and tears.

Men of strong minds say there is something supernatural about her. She never went to school a day in her life, and cannot read her name, and never heard but one sermon in her life; and the good language used by her in her discourses and Bible teachings strike her hearers with wonder.

She is unusually small for her age, weighing but forty-one pounds. She has always been of a reticent disposition: until within the last month she has been in unusual good spirits and talked incessantly.

This statement is corroborated by at least a dozen men your correspondent has talked to who have seen her and heard her talk. Great crowds are reported as going from all over the country to hear her.—Macon Telegraph.

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